

Canceling Funds

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Chapter One

The Fall from Favor

In the beginning . . .

*there were
Funds . . .*

*. . . and Congress, having
passed laws authorizing funds . .*

.

for specific amounts . . .

for specific purposes . . .

and for specific periods of time .

*. . . did look upon their control . . .
and they saw it was 'good' . . .*

*. . . but low . . . the **passage**
of time did overcome the
Funds . . .*

*and the funds expired . . .
losing all manner of identity .*

as to 'specific amounts' . . .

as to 'specific purposes' . . .

and, as to 'specific periods of time'

*. . . and the Expired Funds . . .
having lost their identity . . .
were swallowed up into
the Merged Account called
“M” . . .*

. . . and this ‘catch all of Expired Funds’ . . .

. . . this Merged Account called “M” . . .

did swell and bloat

to monstrous proportions . . .

. . . until it became a blight on the land . . .

*. . . and DoD procurement
officials, from all services and
commands,
did feed upon the bloated account*

. . .

*. . . like children upon happy
meals . . .*

*. . . so that without proper
authorizations . . .*

(and without the knowledge of Congress)

*Officials used the Expired Funds
from the account called “M”
to fund all manner of purchase,
claim, and change order . . .*

*. . . until Funds control
was . . .*

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Now it came to pass that a man named Scholar (who was a good and upright man) did testify before Congress . . .

of Expired Funds and whence they went of the Merged Account called "M" . . .

of its great bloatedness and swelling . . . and of its abuse by procurement officials

*. . . and Congress, upon hearing
his tale of woe, did pass
legislation which . . .*

caused Expiring Funds to cancel . . .

*phased out the Merged
Account called "M" . . .*

*and, placed more stringent
controls on the
accountability for Expiring
and Canceling Funds . . .*

*And across the land,
DoD procurement officials
from every service and
command,
did perform penance
in the form of metrics . . .*

*. . . to insure that payments from
Expired Funds were disbursed before
they canceled . . .*

*. . . and Canceled Funds could not be
used for every purchase, claim, or
change order . . .*